

How to Write an Interesting Fiction Story

___ Brainstorm ideas for a story.

___ Select 1 or more characters to star in your story. Who?

___ Select an interesting setting: place, time, season. Where? When?

___ Select interesting problems to solve (3 or more are best) What? Why?

___ Problem #1

___ Problem #3 **BIGGEST Problem**

___ Problem #2

___ Other Problems

___ Write a Rough Draft (skip lines!!)

___ Story Checklist (**Check 3 times: by self, with a student editor, with an adult editor**)

- ___ ___ ___ beginning, middle, and ending
- ___ ___ ___ characters are interesting
- ___ ___ ___ **active, interesting** verbs
- ___ ___ ___ sentences make sense and LIMIT:
 - use of *an, and then, then, next,*
 - repeating the same idea and words over and over
- ___ ___ ___ **interesting** details and adjectives
- ___ ___ ___ use of **senses**: hear, see, smell, touch, taste
- ___ ___ ___ use & indent **proper** paragraphs
- ___ ___ ___ **proper** punctuation (periods, commas, quotation marks, etc.)
- ___ ___ ___ **proper** capitalization

ReREAD one more time. Make changes. Send to be printed.